

REMARKS

Allowance of Claims

Applicant appreciates the Examiner's allowance of Claims 2, 4-9 and 11-40. Applicant is amending Claim 21 to correct an informality in the language, and in particular verb, in the claim. No new matter is being added in this amendment. Further, this amendment is not in response to a patentability rejection and is not believed to affect the scope or allowability of the claim.

Applicants will now address the Examiner's remaining rejection in the Office Action.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC §102

In the Office Action, the Examiner rejects Claims 3 and 10 under 35 USC §102(b) as being unpatentable over Stewart et al. (US 5,952,789). This rejection is respectfully traversed.

While Applicant traverses this rejection, in order to advance the prosecution of this application, Applicant is amending independent Claim 3 to recite the features of a first pixel and a second pixel arranged in the same column direction in the pixel portion, wherein each of the first pixel and the second pixel comprises a switching transistor and a light emitting element; a first data line electrically connected to the switching transistor of the first pixel; and a second data line electrically connected to the switching transistor of the second pixel.

It is respectfully submitted that Stewart does not disclose or suggest these features. Instead, Stewart appears to disclose (in Fig. 2 relied upon by the Examiner in the Office Action) all of switching transistors (e.g. T1 in Fig. 2) in the pixels arranged in the same column direction are connected to the same data line (i.e. Data Line (D1) of Fig. 2).

Therefore, independent Claim 3 is not disclosed or suggested by Stewart, and Claim 3 and those claims dependent thereon are patentable thereover. Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that this rejection be withdrawn.

Conclusion

It is respectfully submitted that the present application is a condition for allowance and should be allowed.

If any further fee is due for this amendment, please charge our deposit account 50/1039.

Favorable reconsideration is earnestly solicited.

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